

THE FEDERATION OF IRISH BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATIONS



SUMMER COURSE PROGRAMME 2005

**ADVANCED, INTERMEDIATE, PRELIMINARY
AND WORKSHOPS**

FRANCISCAN COLLEGE, GORMANSTOWN
MONDAY JULY 25th TO SATURDAY JULY 30th (inclusive)

The Federation of Irish Beekeepers' Associations welcomes you to the Annual Summer Course.

We hope you will enjoy your stay.

In order to ensure maximum comfort and safety for everyone certain regulations are necessary. Please co-operate.

Wear your I.D. Card at all times while within the College Property. Quietness is requested in Dormitories and surrounding areas after 11pm. Please respect the rights of others to quietness at night.

When in the Swimming Pool, obey the Lifeguard at all times. Do not interfere in any way with him/her. Your own life may depend on his/her alertness.

Certain Officials of the Federation & Lecturers have permission to by-pass the queue at mealtimes because of duty commitments or lectures. Please be tolerant on these occasions.

Showers may be had by arrangement with Reception.

ADVANCED

LECTURERS :

Paul Metcalf, B.A., N.D.B. Norfolk, U.K.

Willie O'Byrne, NatDipSc(Apic), Bray, Co Wicklow.

Patsy Bennett, NatDipSc(Apic), Knoxtown, Co Wexford.

Michael MacGiolla Coda, NatDipSc(Apic), Glengarra, Co Tipperary.

Dr Mary Coffey, An Teagasc, Carlow.

Michael Woulfe, NatDipSc(Apic), Midleton Co. Cork

Denis Horgan, C.F.L. Rathfarnham, Dublin.

Enid Brown, N.H.S. Judge, Kinross, Scotland.

John Donoghue, I.H.S. Judge, Walshisland, Co.Offaly.

Tuesday July 26

- 09.00 – 10.00 **The Advantages of maintaining Nuclei** - Patsy Bennett.
10.30 – 11.30 **Reading the Colony** – Paul Metcalf.
14.00 – 15.00 **Varroa Treatments Research Update** - Mary Coffey.
15.30 – 16.30 **Understanding the Honeybee** – Paul Metcalf

Wednesday July 27

- 09.00 – 10.00 **Honey Origins - from Plant to Honey** – Willie O'Byrne.
10.30 – 11.30 **Communication in Honeybee colonies** - Paul Metcalf
14.00 – 15.00 **New Regulations for Honey Labelling** - Denis Horgan.
15.30 – 16.30 **Beekeeping Problems** – Paul Metcalf.
19.30 – 20.30 **Beekeeping through the Ages** – Paul Metcalf.

Thursday July 27

- 09.00 – 10.00 **Planning a Honey House** - Michael Woulfe.
10.30 – 11.30 **Honeybee Pests and Diseases** – Paul Metcalf.
20.00 **Nature Walk** – Michael MacGiolla Coda.

Friday July 29

- 09.00 – 10.00 **Honey Bee Vision** - Willie O'Byrne.
10.30 – 11.30 **Bee Botany** – Paul Metcalf.
14.00 – 15.00 **Judging Beeswax & Other By-products** –
Enid Brown & John Donoghue.
15.30 – 16.30 **Honeybees in winter** - Paul Metcalf.

INTERMEDIATE

LECTURERS :

Willie O'Byrne, NatDipSc(Apic), Bray, Co Wicklow.

Jim Ryan, C.F.L. Thurles , Co Tipperary.

Michael O'Callaghan, NatDipSc(Apic), Glanmire, Co.Cork.

Dennis Ryan, NatDipSc(Apic), Clonmel, Co Tipperary.

Ethel Irvine, C.F.L. Enniskillen, Co.Fermanagh.

Ger O'Donoghue, NatDipSc(Apic), Burnfort, Co Cork.

Denis Horgan,. NatCertSc(Apic), Rathfarnham, Dublin.

Patsy Bennett, NatDipSc(Apic), Knoxtown, Co Wexford.

Tuesday July 26

09.15 – 10.15 **Honeybee externals** – Willie O'Byrne.

10.45 – 11.45 **Drone-laying Queens & laying workers** – Ethel Irvine.

14.15 – 15.15 **Good management – key to honey harvest** – Michael O'Callaghan.

15.45 – 16.45 **Varroa control for the present day beekeeper** – Dennis Ryan.

Wednesday July 27

09.15 – 10.15 **Harvesting the bye-products of the hive** – Jim Ryan.

10.45 – 11.45 **Honeybee internals** – Willie O'Byrne.

14.15 – 15.15 **Harvesting the crop and preparing for winter** – Ger O'Donoghue.

15.45 – 16.45 **Selecting and culling to improve our bees** – Dennis Ryan.

Thursday July 28

09.15 – 10.15 **Queen-rearing on a small scale** – Ethel Irvine.

10.45 – 11.45 **A. F. B.** – Ger O'Donoghue

Friday July 29

09.15 – 10.15 **Managing bees in the swarming season** – Jim Ryan.

10.45 – 11.45 **Drones and queen, form and function** – Denis Horgan.

14.45 – 15.45 **Oilseed Rape – bonus or nuisance Crop** – Patsy Bennett.

15.45 – 16.45 **Handling honey in compliance with FSAI regulations** -
Michael O'Callaghan

PRELIMINARY

LECTURERS :

Sr. Catherine, C.F.L. Ardee, Co Louth.
Philip McCabe, NatDipSc(Apic), Drogheda, Co Louth.
John McMullan, C.F.L., Malahide, Co Dublin.
Seamus O'Connor, NatDipSc(Apic), Armagh.
Finola Walsh, C.F.L., Callan, Co Kilkenny.
Denis Horgan, C.F.L. Rathfarnham, Dublin.
Bea Flavin-Dunphy, C.F.L. Mooncoin, Co.Kilkenny.

Tuesday July 26

09.30 – 10.30 **Beginning with Bees** – John McMullan
11.00 – 12.00 **Anatomy & Life History of the Honeybee** – Sr. Catherine
14.30 – 15.30 **Hives & Equipment** – Philip McCabe
16.00 – 17.00 **Choosing & Managing an Apiary Site** – Finola Walsh

Wednesday July 27

09.30 – 10.30 **Spring Management** – Denis Horgan
11.00 – 12.00 **Summer Work & Swarm Control** – Bea Flavin-Dunphy
14.15 – 15.15 **Assembling Frames & Sections** – Seamus O'Connor.
*15.30 – 17.00 **Outdoor Demonstration** – Six Lecturers

Thursday July 28

09.30 – 10.30 **Pollen & Nectar Sources** – Seamus O'Connor
11.00 – 12.00 **Harvesting the Crop & Preparing honey for sale** –
John McMullan

Friday July 29

09.30 – 10.30 **Apiary Hygiene & Diseases** – Seamus O'Connor.
11.00 – 12.00 **Preparing Colonies for Winter** – Philip McCabe.

Saturday July 30

09.30 – 10.30 **The Beekeeping Year** - John McMullan

**Outdoor at Hives*

WORKSHOPS

LECTURERS : June Hughes, Redmond Williams, Dennis Ryan, Ruary Rudd, Michael MacGiolla Coda, Charlie Robinson, John Donoghue, Sr. Catherine, David Lee, Philip McCabe, Albert Knight, Claire Chavasse, Liam Rice.

Tuesday July 26

- 09.30 – 11.30 **Beeswax from Hive to Shop Shelf** – June Hughes
09.30 – 11.00 **Microscopy, Dissection, Diseases, Pollen Analysis** –
R Williams, D Ryan, & R Rudd
*11.00 **Setting up a Queen Rearing Colony** – Claire Chavasse &
Albert Knight.
11.00 **Assembling Bar Frames & Foundation** – John Donoghue.
*14.00 **Hive Records & Evaluation** – M MacGiolla Coda & L Rice
14.30 **Introduction to Sugar Craft Flowers & Cake Decoration** –
Sr. Catherine
14.30 – 16.30 **Encaustic art (painting with a travelling iron)** – June Hughes.
20.15 **Demonstration of Furniture Polishing** – C Robinson & J Donoghue

Wednesday July 27

- 09.30 – 12.30 **Microscopy, Dissection, Diseases, Pollen Analysis** –
R Williams, D. Ryan, & R. Rudd
09.30 – 11.30 **Preparation of Beeswax for Show** – June Hughes.
*11.00 **Hive Records & Evaluation** – M MacGiolla Coda & L Rice
*11.00 **Grafting Larvae** - Claire Chavasse & Albert Knight.
*14.00 **Drone Congregation** – Michael MacGiolla Coda
14.30 – 16.30 **Woodwork in Beekeeping with basic tools** – John Donoghue
15.00 – 17.00 **Encaustic art (painting with a travelling iron)** – June Hughes.

Thursday July 28

- 09.30 – 12.00 **Encaustic art (painting with a travelling iron)** – June Hughes
09.30 – 12.30 **Microscopy, Dissection, Diseases, Pollen Analysis** –
R Williams, D Ryan, & R Rudd
10.0 **Extracting Honey** – Phillip McCabe & John Donoghue.
10.00 **Introduction to Sugar Craft Flowers & Cake Decoration** –
Sr. Catherine.
20.15 **Demonstration of Furniture Polishing** – C Robinson & J Donoghue

Friday July 29

- 09.30 – 11.30 **Beeswax from Hive to Shop Shelf** – June Hughes
10.00 – 12.00 **Morphometry Workshop** – M MacGiolla Coda & Albert Knight
10.00 – 12.00 **Woodwork in Beekeeping with basic tools** – John Donoghue
*14.00 **Drone Congregation** – Michael MacGiolla Coda
*15.00 **Cell Counting** - Claire Chavasse & Albert Knight
19.00 – 21.00 **Encaustic art (painting with a travelling iron)** – June Hughes

* *Outdoor if possible*

MEALTIMES

Breakfast
08.00am

Lunch
12.30pm

Evening Meal
17.00pm

Monday

10.00 – 17.00
17.00
19.00

Registration Room 15
Evening Meal
Official Opening followed by
Cheese & Wine Reception in
Assembly Hall.

HONEY SHOW

Tuesday 09.30 – 12.00

Honey Show Exhibits Accepted.

Wednesday 13.30

Presentation of Honey Show Prizes

Lecture Hall 2.

Followed by Opening of Honey Show.

HONEY QUEEN

Wednesday

11.00
13.30

Selection of Honey Queen.
Announcing Honey Queen.

ANNUAL CONGRESS

Wednesday

18.00

Lecture Hall 2 Registration of Congress Delegates,
followed by Congress. All are welcome.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tuesday

16.35
18.00
18.30
20.15

Meeting of Panel of Examiners.
Choir Practice in Church.
Meeting of all BIBBA members.
Meeting of Overseas Visitors.

Wednesday

08.00
12.00

Annual Mass for Living and Deceased Members.
Group Photograph at Main Door of College.

Thursday

14.00
18.30
21.30

Coach Tour. Assemble near Swimming Pool.
Executive Council Meeting.
Social Evening for All.

Friday

21.15

Education Board meeting.

EXAMINATIONS

ADVANCED & INTERMEDIATE

Friday

09.30 – 12.30

14.00 – 17.00

Paper "A" Practical.

Paper "B" Scientific.

PRELIMINARY

Friday

14.00 – 14.30

15.00 -

Written Paper.

Practical at Hives.

LECTURER

Friday

18.30

Lecturer's Examination (if required).

Saturday

09.30

Lecturer's Examination.

SATURDAY

11.15

REVIEW OF COURSE,

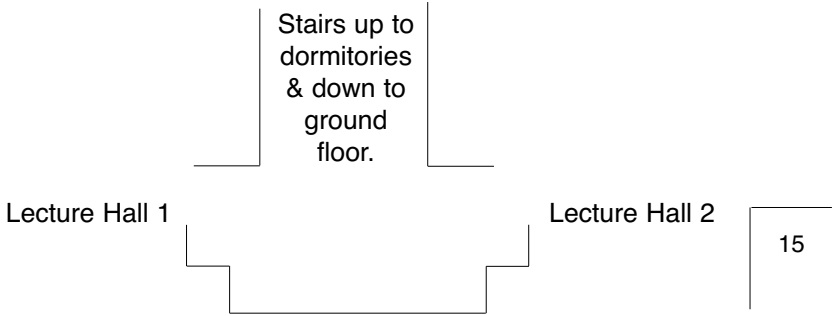
PRESENTATIONS,

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CLOSURE.

PLAN OF COLLEGE

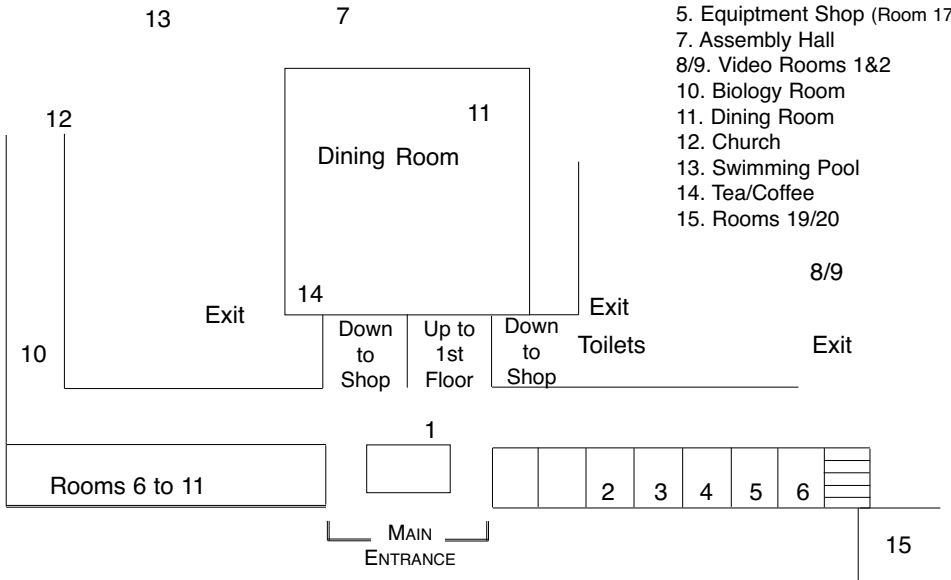
FIRST FLOOR



En-Suite rooms on floor 3
 Dormitories on floor 2
 Lift is available on request at reception

GROUND FLOOR

1. Reception
2. Lounge (Room 14)
3. Secy/Treas Office (Room 15)
4. Sales Office (Room 16)
5. Equipment Shop (Room 17)
7. Assembly Hall
- 8/9. Video Rooms 1&2
10. Biology Room
11. Dining Room
12. Church
13. Swimming Pool
14. Tea/Coffee
15. Rooms 19/20



BASEMENT

